UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Commissioner for Patents
United States Patent and Trademark Office
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

JUL 20 2004

DCM

In re Application of

Koper, et al.

Serial Number: 10/658,011

Filed: September 9, 2003

For: REACTIVE NANOPARTICLES AS DESTRUCTIVE

ADSORBENTS FOR BIOLOGICAL AND

CHEMICAL CONTAMINATION

PETITION UNDER

MPEP 708.02 VIII

This is in response to the Petition to Make Special filed September 9, 2003, requesting that the above-identified application be granted Special Status under section 708.02 VIII of the MPEP and 37 CFR 1.102(d). The fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(h) has been paid.

The criteria set forth in section 708.02 VIII of the MPEP and 37 CRF 1.102(d) have been met.

Accordingly the petition is GRANTED.

Marian C. Knode, Special Programs Examiner

Technology Center 1700

Marian Cknow

Chemical and Materials Engineering

Gregory J. Skoch HOVEY WILLIAMS LLP Suite 400 2405 Grand Boulevard Kansas City, MO 64108